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NOTE:

"In addition to identifying the application number of the prior application, applicant should furnish in the request for an application under this paragraph the following information relating to the prior application to the best of his or her ability: (i) Title of invention; (ii) Name of applicant(s); and (iii) Correspondence address." 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d)(8).

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CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA) (37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.53(d))

WARNING:

CPA practice does not apply (other than designs) where the prior application has a filing date on or after May

29, 2000.

A continued prosecution application can only be used to file a divisional or continuation of a prior nonprovisional application and can NOT be used to file a continuation-in-part application. 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d)(1).

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WARNING:

While facsimile transmission can be used to obtain a date of transmission for this correspondence the date on the certificate of transmission (Section 1.8(a)) of an application under Section 1.53(d) (CPA) is not controlling (or even relevant), in that a CPA filed by facsimile transmission will not be accorded a filing date as of the date on the certificate of transmission (Section 1.8(a)) unless Office records indicate, or applicant otherwise establishes pursuant to Section 1.6(f), receipt in the Office of the complete application under Section 1.53(d) on

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the date on the certificate of transmission, and that date is not a Saturday, Sunday, or Federal holiday.. 37 C.F.R. Section 1.8(b)(3) and 62 Fed. Reg. 53131, 53133, October 10, 1997. Requests for a continued prosecution application filed by facsimile transmission should be clearly marked "Box CPA". 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d)(9).

Before using the CPA procedure note that a CPA application (Section 1.53(d)) cannot be amended to delete the specific reference to a prior application (e.g., for patent term purposes), as well as the specific reference to any application to which the prior application contains a specific reference under 35 U.S.C. Section 120, 121 and 365(c) and the expiration date under 35 U.S.C. Section 154(b)(2) of any patent issuing from the Section 1.53(d) application will be based upon the filing date of the prior application (or the earliest application to which the prior application contains a reference under 35 U.S.C. Section 120, 121, and 365(c)). 62 Fed. Reg. 53,131, 53,145, October 10, 1997.

WARNING:

A continued prosecution application "Is a request to expressly abandon the prior application" as of its filing date. 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d)(2)(v). Therefore, where the prior application is not to be abandoned, any continuation or divisional application must be filed under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(b).

WARNING:

While the filing of a continued prosecution application is the specific reference required by 35 U.S.C. Section 120 to every application assigned the application number identified in such request, no amendment in the application may delete the specific reference to any prior application (e.g., for patent term purposes). 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d)(7).

WARNING:

A request for an application under Section 1.53(d) (CPA) cannot be submitted within papers filed for another purpose (e.g., the filing of a "conditional" request for a continued prosecution application within an amendment after final for the prior application). A "conditional" request for a CPA submitted (as a separate paper) with an amendment after final will be treated as an unconditional request for a CPA. This will result (Section 1.53(d)(2)(v)) in the abandonment of such prior) application, and (if so instructed in the request for CPA) the amendment after final in the prior application will be treated as a preliminary amendment in the CPA. 62 Fed. Reg. 53,131, 53,140, October 10, 1997.

NOTE: "The filing date of a continued prosecution application is the date on which a request on a separate paper for an application...is filled." 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d)(2)(emphasis added).

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continued prosecution application under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d) of the above identified prior nonprovisional application.

WARNING:

"A request for a CPA expressly abandons the prior application as of the filing date of the request for the CPA. See 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d)(2)(v). Therefore, where the prior application is no to be abandoned, any continuation or divisional application must be filed under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(b)." M.P.E.P. Section 201.06(d), 7th ed.

It is further requested that this continued prosecution application utilize the file jacket and contents of the prior application, including the specification, drawings and oath or declaration from the prior application, to constitute this new application, and that the application number of the above identified prior application be assigned for identification purposes. 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d)(2)(iv).

NOTE: Since a CPA cannot contain new matter, the oath or declaration filed in the prior nonprovisonal application would supply all the information required under 35 U.S.C. Section 111(a) and the rules to have a complete application and to obtain a filing date. Accordingly, the previously filed oath or declaration will be considered to be the oath or declaration of the CPA. M.P.E.P. Section 201.06(d), 7th ed.

It is also requested that the above-identified prior application be expressly abandoned as of the filing date accorded this continued prosecution application. 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d)(2)(v).

With respect to the above-identified prior nonprovisional application this continued prosecution

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applica	ation is b	eing file	ed:
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			termination of the proceedings on the prior application. 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d)(1)(ii)(C).
			payment of the issue fee on the prior application. 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d)(1)(ii)(A).
			abandonment of the prior application. 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d)(1)(ii)(B).
			OR
В.			he payment of the issue fee but a petition under Section 1.313(b)(5) has been and in the prior application. 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d)(1)(ii)(A).

NOTE: "If an extension of time is necessary to establish continuity between the prior application and the CPA, the petition for extension of time should be filed as a separate paper directed to the prior nonprovional application. However, a CPA is not improper simply because the request for a CPA is combined in a single paper with a petition for extension of time....

"While the filing of a CPA is not strictly a reply to an Office action mailed in a prior application, a request for a CPA is a paper directed to and placed in the file of the prior application, and seeks to take action in (i.e., expressly abandon) the prior application. Thus, it will be considered a "reply" for purposes of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136(a)(3). As a result, an authorization in the prior application to charge all required fees, fees under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.17, or all required extension of time fees to a deposit account will be treated as a constructive petition for an extension of time in the prior application for the purposes of establishing continuity with the CPA. The correct extension fee to be charged in the prior application would be the extension fee necessary to establish continuity between the prior application and the CPA on the filing date of the CPA.

"If an extension of time directed to the prior application is filed as a separate paper, it must be accompanied by its own certificate of mailing under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.8 (if mailed by first class mail) or under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.10 (if mailed by Express Mail), of the benefits of those rules are desired."

EXTENSION OF TERM

NOTE:	"Extension of Time in Patent Cases (Supplement Amendments) If a timely and complete response has been filed after a Non-Final Office Action, an extension of time is not required to permit filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period.				
NOTE:	of a Note unless th been file 34-35). See 37	ice of A ne timel d within	ppeal or filing and/or ent ly-filed response placed to n the shortened statutory	ry of an additional amendment after he application in condition for allow period, the period has ceased to run ions of time in interference proces	time is required to permit filing and/or entry expiration of the shortened statutory period wance. Of course, if a Notice of Appeal has n." Notice of December 10, 1985 (1061 O.G. edings, and 37 C.F.R. Section 1.550(c) for
	The proapply.	oceed	ings herein are for a	patent application and the pr	ovisions of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136
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				ns for an extension of time une Section 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for the	der 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136 ne total number of months checked
			EXTENSION (MONTHS)	FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY	FEE FOR OTHER THAN <u>SMALL</u> <u>ENTITY</u>
			one month	\$55.00	\$110.00
			two months	\$210.00	\$420.00
			three months	\$475.00	\$950.00
			four months	\$740.00	\$1,480.00
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If an ac	ditional	exten	sion of time is requir	ed, please consider this a petit	ion therefor.
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		Exte	nsion fee due with th	is request	
				OR	
	Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time. M.P.E.P. Section 201.06(d), 7th ed.				

It is noted that:

- * This application discloses and claims only subject matter disclosed in the prior application. 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d)(2)(ii).
- * Filing of this continued prosecution application is to be construed to include a waiver of confidentiality by the applicant under 35 U.S.C. Section 122 to the extent that any member of the public, who is entitled under the provisions of Section 1.14 to access to, copies of, or information concerning either the prior application or any continuing application filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d), may be given similar access to, copies of, or similar information concerning the other application or applications in the file jacket. 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d)(6).
- Filing of this request is the specific reference required by 35 U.S.C. Section 120 to every application assigned the application number identified in this request and that no amendment in this application may delete this specific reference to any prior application. 37 C.F.R. Sections 1.53(d)(7) and 1.78(a)(2).

4.	This co	ontinued prosecution application names as inventors:
	\boxtimes	the same inventors named in the prior application on the date this continued prosecution application under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d)(2)(iii) is being filed.
		fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application. 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d)(4).
NOTE:	applicat	application may be filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, provided the request for an ion under 3.7 C.F.R. Section1.53(d), when filed, is accompanied by a statement requesting deletion of the name(s) erson(s) who are not the inventors of the invention being claimed in the new application. 37 C.F.R. Section (d)(4).
		Please delete the following name(s) as inventor(s), who are not inventor(s) of the invention being claimed in this new application:
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NOTE:	in the p	son may be named as an inventor in an application filed under this paragraph who was not named as an inventor rior application on the date the application under this paragraph was filed, except by way of a petition under 1.48." 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d)(4).
NOTE:	A requesin the principle in the principl	st for an application under Section 1.53(d) purporting to name as an inventor a person not named as an inventor rior application (even if accompanied by a new declaration/oath under Section 1.63 listing that person as an will be treated as naming the same inventors named in the prior application (Section 1.53(d)(2)(iii)). 62 Fed. 131, 53,141, October 10,1997.
		Please add the following name(s) as inventors:
		A petition under Section 1.48 is attached.
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- 5. Attached hereto is an amendment to the prior application as it existed prior to the filing of this continuation prosecution application.
 - Please enter the Amendment dated January 16, 2004.
- NOTE: "Any new change must be made in the form of an amendment to the prior application as it existed prior to the filing of an application under this paragraph. No amendment in an application under this paragraph (a continued prosecution application) may introduce new matter or matter that would have been new matter in the prior application. Any new specification filed with the request for an application under this paragraph will not be considered part of the original application papers, but will be treated as a substitute specification in accordance with Section 1.125." However, the applicant must comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.125(b) before the substitute specification will be entered into the CPA. 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d)(5).
- WARNING:

 An amendment after final filed and refused entry in the prior application will not be automatically entered in the CPA and specific instructions to enter amendment(s) refused entry in the prior application must be filed. Q&A 64, "Changes in Patent Practice and Procedure," effective December 1, 1997, supplemented up to February 1, 1998.
- WARNING: "The original disclosure of a CPA is the same as the original disclosure of the partent non-continued prosecution application and amendments entered in the parent application(s). However, any subject matter added by amendment in the parent application which is deemed to be new matter in the parent application will also be considered new matter in the CPA. No amendment filed in a CPA, even if filed on the filing date of the CPA, may include new matter." M.P.E.P. Section 201.06(d), 7th ed.

6. Information Disclosure Statement

NOTE: All information disclosure statements filed in the prior application that comply with the content requirements of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.98 will be considered in a CPA by the examiner. No specific request that the previously submitted information be considered in a CPA is required.

"In addition, all information disclosure statements that comply with the content requirements of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.98 and are filed within three months of the filing date of a CPA will be considered by the examiner, regardless of whatever else has occurred in the examination process up to that point in time. Thus, in the rare instance that a final Office action or a notice of allowance is prepared and mailed prior to a date which is 3 months from the filing date of the CPA, any information contained in an information disclosure statement complying with 37 C.F.R. Section 1.98, and filed within that 3-month window must be considered by the examiner. . . [I]t should be expected that a first Office action will normally issue in a CPA well within three months from the filing date of the CPA request. The submission of an information disclosure statement after the first Office action is mailed could delay prosecution and result in the lost of patent term. Therefore, applicants are encouraged to file any information disclosure statement in a CPA as early possible, preferably before the first Office action. . . " M.P.E.P. Section 201.06(d), 7th ed.

Enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.98.

Calculation

NOTE: "(3) The filing fee for a continued prosecution application filed under this paragraph is:

(i) The basic filing fee as set forth in Section 1.16; and

(ii) Any additional Section 1.16 fee due based on the number of claims remaining in the application after entry of any amendment accompanying the request for an application under this paragraph and entry of any amendments under Section 1.116 unentered in the prior application which applicant has requested to be entered in the continued prosecution application."

37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d)(3)(i) and (ii).

is (are) attached.

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8.	Small	Entity	Statement(s)		8				
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make the required self-certification. M.P.E.P. Section 509.03, 6th ed., rev. 2, July 1996. (emphasis added). Statement(s) that this is a filing by a small entity under 37 C.F.R. Sections 1.9 and 1.27

WAKNII		is available and desired. Status as a small entity in one application or patent does not affect any other application or patent, including applications or patents which are directly or indirectly dependent upon the application or patent in which the status has been established. The refiling of an application under Section 1.53 as a continuation, division, or continuation-in-part (including a continued prosecution application under Section 1.53(d)), or the filing of a reissue application requires a new determination as to continued entitlement to small entity status for the continuing or reissue application. A nonprovisional application		
		claiming benefit under 35 U.S.C. Section 119(e), 120, 121, or 365(c) of a prior application, or a reissue application may rely on a statement filed in the prior application or in the patent if the nonprovisional application or the reissue application includes a reference to the statement in the prior application or in the patent or includes a copy of the statement in the prior application or in the patent and status as a small entity is still proper and desired. The payments of the small entity basis statutory filing fee will be treated as such a reference " 37 C.F.R. Section 1.28(a)(2), (emphasis added).		
WARNII	NG:	"Small entity status must not be established when the person or persons signing the statement can unequivocally make the required self-certification." M.P.E.P., Section 509.03 7th ed., (emphasis added).		
		(complete the following, if applicable)		
		Status as a small entity was claimed in prior application/, filed on, from which benefit is being claimed for this application under:		
35 U.S.	.C. Sectio	on		
		119(e), 120, 121, 365(c),		
	and whi	ich status as a small entity is still proper and desired.		
		A copy of the statement in the prior application is included.		
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		Filing Fee Calculation \$		
NOTE:		ss of the full fee paid will be refunded if a small entity statement and a refund request are filed within 2 months to of timely payment of a full fee. The two-month period is not extendable under Section 1.136. 37 C.F.R28(a).		
9.	Fee Payment Being Made at This Time			
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		Not Enclosed		
		No filing fee is to be paid at this time.		

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			(This and the surcharge required by 37 C.F.R. Section 1.16(e) can be	be paid subsequently.)
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NOTE:	CPA and		ation to charge fees to a deposit account filed in the prior nonprovion situation, the necessary filing fee will be charged to the deposit acco	
		\boxtimes	Filing fee	\$ 1,270.00
NOTE:		-	l entity basic filing fee will be treated as a reference to the statements ntity is desired and proper. 37 C.F.R. Section 1.28(a)(2).	in the prior application that
			Recording assignment (\$40.00; 37 C.F.R. Section 1.21(h)) (See attached "COVER SHEET FOR ASSIGNMENT ACCOMPANYING NEW APPLICATION.")	\$
			Petition fee for filing by other than all the inventors or person on behalf of the inventor where inventor refused to sign or cannot be reached (\$130.00; 37 C.F.R. Section 1.47 and 1.17(i))	·\$
		Total i	fees enclosed (including extension of time)	\$ <u>1,270.00</u>
10.	Metho	d of Pay	ment of Fees	
	\boxtimes	Check	in the amount of \$1,270.00 is enclosed.	
		Charge	Account No in the amount of \$	·
		A dupl	icate of this transmittal is attached.	
NOTE:	Fees sho	ould be ite	mized in such a manner that it is clear for which purpose the fees are	paid. 37 C.F.R. Section 1.22(b).
WARNI	NG:		n application under Section 1.53(d) filed by facsimile includes an aut to a deposit account, the applicant will be given a notification requi	_

filing fee (Section 1.53(d)(3)) and the late filing surcharge under Section 1.16(e) to avoid abandonment of the Section 1.53(d) application. 62 Fed. Reg. 53,131, 53,133 (Oct. 10, 1997).

11. Authorization to Charge Additional Fees

WARNI. WARNI.		•	paid on filing, the following items should not be completed. claims, especially multiple dependent claims, to avoid unexpected high charges, if extra authorized.
	\boxtimes		oner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees by this ng the entire pendency of this application to Account No.04-1105.
			37 C.F.R. Section 1.16(a), (f) or (g) (filing fees)
		\boxtimes	37 C.F.R. Section 1.16(b), (c) and (d) (presentation of extra claims)
NOTE:	paid or t any notic	hese claims cancelle ce of fee deficiency (excess or multiple dependent claims not paid on filing or on later presentation must only be ed by amendment prior to the expiration of the time period set for response by the PTO in (37 C.F.R. Section 1.16(d)), it might be best not to authorize the PTO to charge additional when dealing with amendments after final action.
			37 C.F.R. Section 1.16(e) (surcharge for filing the basic filing fee and/or declaration on a date later than the filing date of the application)
		\boxtimes	37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(a)(1)-(5) (extension fees pursuant to Section 1.136(a))
			37 C.F.R. Section 1.17 (application processing fees)
WARNI	NG:	future reply, requi incorporating a pe all required fees, j constructive petiti extension of time t 1.17(a) will also b	may be submitted in an application that is an authorization to treat any concurrent or fring a petition for an extension of time under this paragraph for its timely submission, as setition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time. An authorization to charge fees under Section 1.17, or all required extension of time fees will be treated as a confor an extension of time in any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for an under this paragraph for its timely submission. Submission of the fee set forth in Section to treated as a constructive petition for an extension of time in any concurrent reply on for an extension of time under this paragraph for its timely submission." 37 C.F.R.
			37 C.F.R. Section 1.18 (issue fee at or before mailing of Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. Section 1.311(b))
NOTE:	Allowan		harge the issue fee to a deposit account has been filed before the mailing of a Notice of be automatically charged to the deposit account at the time of mailing the notice of n 1.311(b).
NOTE:			equires "Notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity oplication prior to paying, or at the time of paying, issue fee." From the wording of

37 C.F.R. Section 1.28(b), (a) notification of change of status must be made even if the fee is paid as "other than a small entity" and (b) no notification is required if the change is to another small entity.

12. Instructions as to Overpayment

NOTE:	"Amounts of twenty-five dollars or less will not be returned unless specifically requested within a reasonable time, nor
	will the payer be notified of such amounts; amounts over twenty-five dollars may be returned by check or, if requested,
	by credit to a deposit account." 37 C.F.R. Section 1.26(a).

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Date: January 16, 2004

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I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date <u>January 16, 2004</u> in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee," mailing Label Number <u>EV317948344US</u> addressed to the: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

By:

Michelle P Chicos

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

AMENDMENT

In response to the Notice of Abandonment dated August 27, 2003 and the Final Office Action dated December 31, 2002, Applicants submit a "Petition for Revival" and a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA). Entry of the petition, CPA, and the present amendment is respectfully requested. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.